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It is my understanding that The Tunney Act review period is still open. I understand the Department of Justice seeks public comment on its proposed antitrust settlement with 9 states and Microsoft, and the public comment's close on Monday, January 28. I also understand the settlement is not guaranteed until after the review ends and the District Court determines whether the settlement is indeed in the public interest.

It is my opinion that the provisions of the agreement are tough, reasonable, fair to all parties involved, and go far beyond the findings of Court of Appeals ruling. Still, while consumers such as I overwhelmingly agree that the settlement is good for me and the American economy, I and every citizen I have come in contact with overwhelmingly want to see this move beyond this litigation, it is also my understanding that nine states have refused to join the settlement. In fact some, including Utah Attorney General Mark Shurtleff and Massachusetts Attorney General Tom Reilly, are urging citizens via email or Web site to submit their comments to the DoJ during the Tunney review period.

Thank you for your review of my opinion,
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